

## REPORT OF THE ALTON BEACH COMMITTEE

Recognizing a need for improvements at the East Side Beach and Harmony Park, the Alton Beach Committee was formed in 2004. Working as an advisory to the Selectmen and in conjunction with Parks and Recreation, the Department of Environmental Services, NH Department of Transportation and NH soils of Alton, and a budget approved by Alton voters, the necessary permits were obtained to begin the process of improving the Town Beach. With the help of volunteers and local residents and several town businesses, community organizations and donations of materials and labor the work was accomplished as follows:

- The site was surveyed to assure compliance with permit requirements
- All rotting wood ties and other temporary erosion items were removed from the site
- A 330 foot wall, as engineered by a consulting firm, was erected at full lake level waters edge. Two stairwells were integrated in to the wall
- A level pathway connecting the beach and Harmony Park, including safety handrails, was installed
- 75 linear feet of rip-rap was installed between Route 28A and the new level pathway
- 80 cubic yards of new beach quality sand was spread over the entire beach surface
- Shrubs and flowers were planted for beautification and privacy
- The Harmony Park picnic shelter was upgraded with a new roof
- Three new benches were installed, 2 on the beach and 1 at Harmony Park
- A shelter was also erected at the south end of the beach

All of the above work was completed within budget. We appreciate the efforts of all those who provided their services and donations. After the Alton Beach Committee completed its mission objectives, the committee was dissolved in August of 2008.

Thank you to all committee members who served, for helping to fulfill the vision and making this area a safe and desirable facility for our residents and visitors to enjoy.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Richardson